

REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 8-11 and 13-22 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 6, 7 and 12 are cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein, claims 1, 2, 8, 10 and 11 are amended. Claim 1 is amended to incorporate features of allowable claims 6 and 7; claim 11 is amended to incorporate features of allowable claim 12, claim 2 is rewritten into independent form, and claims 8 and 10 are amended to correct claim dependencies. No new matter is added by any of these amendments. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

I. Amendment Entry after Final Rejection

The foregoing amendments do not raise any new issues after Final Rejection. Therefore, entry of the amendments is proper under 37 CFR §1.116 because the amendments place the application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment.

II. Claims 1, 3-6, 10, 11 and 13-22 Define over the Prior Art of Record

The Final Office Action rejects claims 1, 3-6, 10, 11 and 13-22 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 6,231,039 to Chung. This rejection is moot in view of the incorporation of the allowable features of claim 7 and intervening claim 6 into claim 1, and the incorporation of the allowable features of claim 12 into claim 11. These reasons apply by extension to claims 3-6 and 10 by their dependence from claim 1, and to claims 13-22 by their dependence from claim 11. Withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) is respectfully withdrawn.

III. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-22 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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